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U. S. NEAR BREAK WITH AUSTRIA OVER ANCONA SINKING

HARRISON DENIES PHRASE QUOTED IN HONOLULU SPEECH

His "Saturnine Pleasure" Reference Becoming National Political Issue

SECRETARY GARRISON BRINGS FORTH DENIAL

Answers Taft's Charges of Maladministration in the Philippines

Governor-general Harrison's speech to local Democrats in September, 1912, is becoming a national issue.

He was quoted as saying that it gave him a "saturnine pleasure" for the Democratic party to be in a position to wallop Republican office-holders. That remark is rapidly becoming the "bête-noire" of the Democrats whenever affairs in the Philippines are concerned and the Republicans are losing no opportunity to point to it as an evidence of Harrison's attitude when on his way to take office in Manila.

And, as might be expected, the governor-general now declares he never made the remark.

In response to this tack, it is understood that the circumstances under which the speech was delivered, the speech itself, as quoted, and other incidents of Harrison's brief stay in Hawaii are being resurrected to prove that Harrison not only made the remark but was applauded by the little group of Democrats who met him that fateful afternoon at the Young hotel for a good old Bourbon love-feast.

Garrison Takes Up Issue.

The issue has become so important that Secretary of War Garrison, as administering head of the Philippines, has taken it up.

Here is the story from Washington, in a despatch to the New York World, a pro-administration organ:

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Secretary of War Garrison tonight issued a long-winded statement denying categorically every charge, implication, objection and insinuation which former President Taft made on Tuesday against the present administration of the Philippine islands.

Every statement of fact made by Secretary Garrison is based upon official records of the war department. He will pay no further attention to Mr. Taft's statements concerning the islands' administration by Governor-general Harrison unless the former president produces evidence to sustain his allegations.

"A review of all of Mr. Taft's phrases, insinuations and implications, objections and complaints," the secretary of war stated, "reveals that they are unjust, that they are unfounded, that they were made recklessly, because the records were at his disposal, and he could have ascertained the facts had he desired to do so, and that if they were not made for a partisan purpose, no conceivable motive can be ascribed to him in making them."

Concerning Mr. Taft's plaint that Secretary Garrison's former criticism of his attitude toward the Harrison

Hill Liner To Be Put On 18 Day Schedule

Probably Lay-Over at Coast Will Be Cut Down; Change Effective March 31

Two additional sailings dates for the Great Northern were received today by Fred L. Waldron, Ltd., Honolulu agents for the Hill liner. They call for the steamer to leave San Francisco March 6 and March 24, arriving here March 13 and March 31. The last sailing date from San Francisco previously announced was February 14.

This leaves an interval of only 13 days between the two sailings, as against the present average of 20 days. The local agents say they do not believe this means the Great Northern will reduce her running time, but that she will cut down the number of lay days in port, probably at San Francisco, where she now lies practically five days.

At 4 o'clock this afternoon, coast time, the Great Northern was due to sail from San Francisco on her second voyage to Hilo and Honolulu on the triangular run. No word as to how many passengers she will take from San Francisco has yet been received by the local agents.

Dates of departure from Honolulu for the two additional sailings announced this morning, are March 16 and April 3.

MEMORIALS
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CONSIDER ONE STANDARD FOR ISLAND SUGAR

May Ask Refiners as to Size of Grains Preferred; No Action on Ash Content

BIG WASTE IN POTASH IN MOLASSES MADE NOW

Knives for Cane Being Supplied By Crushers and New Machines for Shredding

In calling the planters to order for the third day's proceedings at 9:30 this morning, President A. W. T. Bottomley mentioned that the discussion on unirrigated plantations was still open from yesterday.

James Webster and William Pullar each said a few words in response to the chair, when the discussion was declared closed.

Dr. R. S. Norris, chairman of the committee on manufacture of sugar and utilization of by-products, opened the discussion of the printed report on these subjects. After a few observations on cane shredding he suggested that this topic had better be taken up with the report on sugar-house machinery. This meeting with signs of approval, he said a few words on juice grooves and then invited discussion.

Mr. Webster said the grooves were going to use up rollers badly. Perhaps some other kind of metal for the rollers would help. Grooves were an advantage when kept clean, and had to be kept clean to be any good.

A. Gartley said they were today prescribing a hard-grained iron for rollers.

Henton Hind told of the introduction of hard, close-grained iron at Ewa, which wears well. He went into technical details with reference to the Hind-Renton grooves.

Talks Up Revolving Knives.

Messrs. Motz, Eckart, Peck, W. G. O'Gara, McLennan, Goodale, W. G. Hall and Williams made brief responses to calls for remarks, and then double sets of revolving knives were discussed. Mr. Gartley said that these implements were not required in mills having an adequate crushing process. Mr. Hall spoke of the difference of effect between shredders and knives, saying it would be a good thing if knives could be dispensed with altogether.

J. M. Ross thought there was much waste in the chips made by the knives. His experience showed that when cane was cut in short lengths for fluming, when water was scarce, it was harder to feed into the mill. Mr. Williams described a new type of knives, containing a preparing and a finishing set, from which good accounts were being received. John A.

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GOVERNOR MAY BE WITNESS IN RAILWAY CASE

Alleged Correspondence Between Himself and Thurston May Require His Testimony

Lorrin A. Thurston was called as a witness by the respondents in this morning's session of the trial of the territory's injunction suit against the Honolulu Rapid Transit and Land Company. His testimony covered the earlier period of organization of the Rapid Transit company, particularly regarding the governmental and legislative steps which were taken during the monarchy and the public as affecting the Hawaiian Tramway Company, the English corporation, and the present Rapid Transit company.

During the testimony, Mr. Thurston stated that negotiations had been entered into in 1899 between Governor Pinkham, who was then a private citizen, and the Rapid Transit with the object of bringing about a satisfactory settlement of the controversy which then existed, he said, between the old tramways company and the Rapid Transit.

The resolutions of the present company were introduced in evidence, which referred to correspondence which, it was claimed, took place between Governor Pinkham and Mr. Thurston, who was acting for the Rapid Transit, with the foregoing object in view. As the original correspondence in the case cannot be obtained, counsel for the respondents requested the attorney-general to obtain from Governor Pinkham his acknowledgment that the correspondence in question was bona fide.

Provided, however, that Governor Pinkham cannot accede that the copies of the correspondence are correct, then it is the intention, it was stated, of the Rapid Transit to subpoena the governor as a witness.

DOLE CABLES AS TO LIKELIHOOD OF APPOINTMENT

Federal Judge Asks Attorney-General if President Intends to Keep Him in Office

VAUGHAN THINKS WORD WILL COME TOMORROW

Good Admiralty Jurist Needed here, and Veteran Fills Bill, Declares Local Attorney

"December 15, 1915.

"Attorney-General,
"Washington, D. C.
"Tomorrow my term of office terminates. Neither the statute nor my commission provides for continuance until a successor is appointed or otherwise. Can you inform me whether the president intends to ask me to serve for another term?"

"DOLE."

The foregoing cablegram yesterday afternoon was forwarded to Attorney-general Gregory at Washington, D. C. by Hon. Sanford B. Dole, senior judge of the local U. S. district court. When seen this afternoon, Judge Dole had received no reply to his inquiry.

"You see," the veteran jurist said today, "there is nothing in the statute or in my commission which provides for my remaining in office after the expiration of my term—that is, unless I am reappointed—as is the case with the territorial judges. The law and their commissions provide that they remain in office until someone is appointed to relieve them, or until they are reappointed."

Horace W. Vaughan, assistant district attorney, who has been mentioned as a likely successor to either Judge Dole or District Attorney John McCann, said today that, in his opinion, any appointments or reappointments by the president or attorney-general will be made tomorrow.

Judge Dole was to vacate his office this afternoon if no word came from Washington saying that he had been reappointed. In case he is reappointed, he will renew his oath and settle down for another six-year term. Thus far, Federal Judge C. F. Clemens has been silent regarding appointments or reappointments.

There appeared today to be a general

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MILITARY PLAN BRINGS PROTEST; TO HAVE HEARING

Because of protests which have been entered by the parents of some of the boys, the trustees of Oahu College at a meeting at noon today decided to hold a public hearing in Pauahi hall at 8 o'clock next Monday evening to discuss the proposed compulsory military training system for the college.

Acting on a report of the educational committee favoring a tryout of the system, the trustees today discussed the matter thoroughly. Because of the protests, it was decided that a definite conclusion should be reached only after the matter had been given a public hearing.

The meeting in Pauahi hall will be presided over by Pres. A. F. Griffiths, and the parents of the boys in the academy, and in the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grades of the preparatory will be invited to be present, as well as others interested in or opposed to the project.

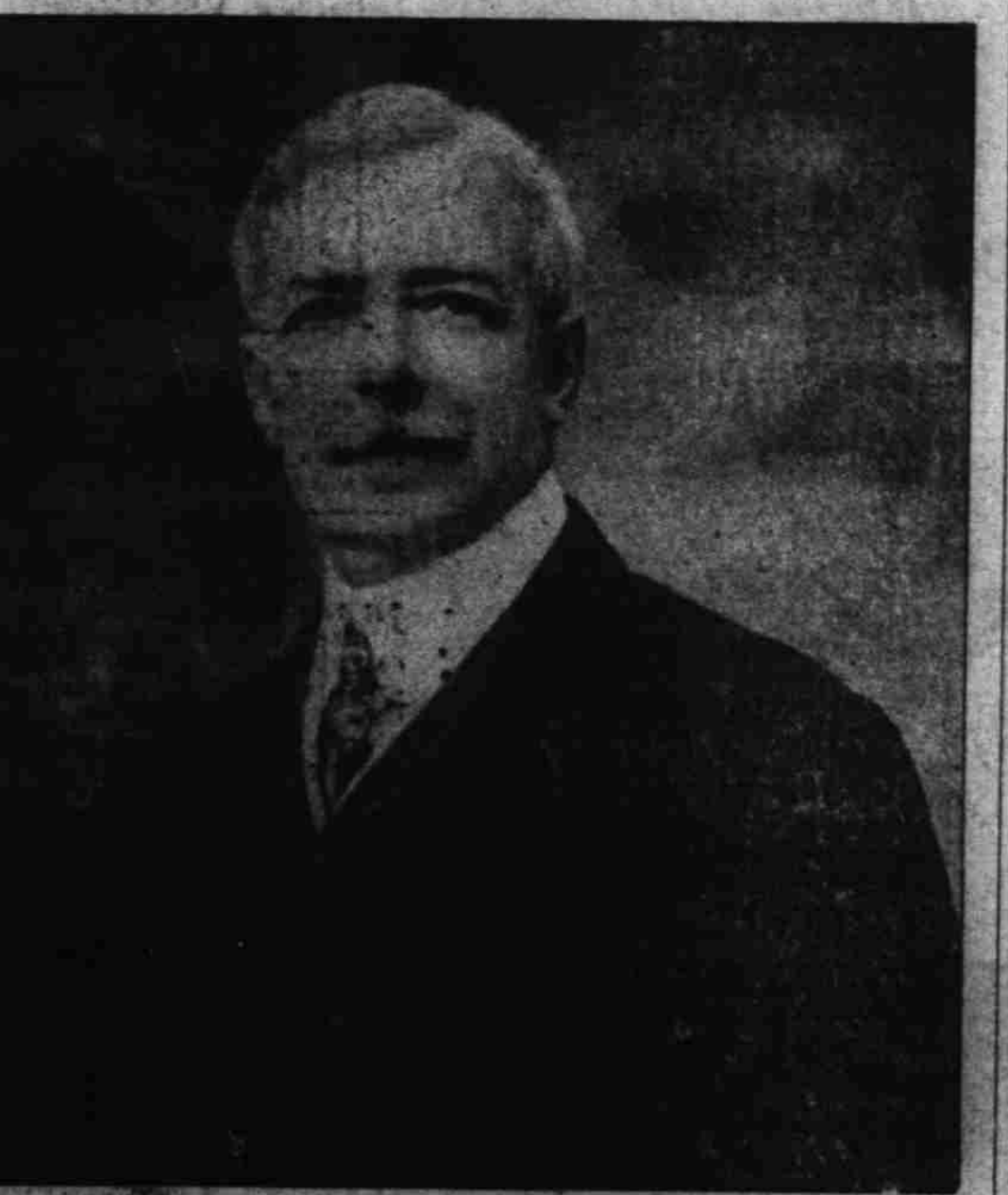
The trustees will define the plans for the proposed system, and the meeting then will be opened for general discussion. The final decision of the trustees will be based largely on opinions set forth at the meeting.

According to President Griffiths a large majority of the boys at Punahou are in favor of the proposed training system.

CONDITION OF MRS. THOMAS IS HELD SERIOUS

Mrs. Will P. Thomas, wife of the manager and treasurer of the Thomas Pineapple Company of Kalihi, who has been seriously ill for more than two weeks following an operation, is now not expected to live more than a few hours, according to word received this afternoon. Mrs. Thomas rallied from the operation for about 10 days, but took a turn for the worse five or six days ago. It is not believed that she can recover.

Secretary of State Whose Note Brings Grave Crisis



Robert Lansing, secretary of state. The tone of the American note on the Ancona sinking makes an unequivocal answer by Austria necessary.

LESS THAN WEEK LEFT TO SWELL WAIALEE FUND

Automobiles Will Be Used to Take Gifts to Boys' Industrial School Wednesday

Next Wednesday at latest, the fund which is to provide a real Christmas tree and holiday celebration for the 130 boys at the industrial school at Waialeale will be closed. The earlier contributions are received the better.

This morning a blue envelope marked "Christmas Tree Fund, Waialeale" was left at the Star-Bulletin office on behalf of Carden Austin. Enclosed were two silver dollars.

Donations.

G. P. Castle \$10
Carden Austin 2

Total \$12

Members of the new industrial school commission are not going to confine the Christmas plan to the boys' school. A Christmas tree will also be arranged at the Girls' Industrial School.

"We want the young people of both institutions to realize the Christmas spirit," said one of the commissioners today. "We plan to close contributions for the boys' school next Wednesday, but will continue receiving money and apply it for the girls' tree. It is a plan that deserves to open the generous purses of the community."

Mrs. A. L. Andrews, who has been appointed a committee of one to take charge of the Christmas celebration, reported today that Circuit Judge Whitney already has received about \$88 towards the fund.

Judge Whitney is pleased.

"A lot of people are answering nobly to the call for funds," Judge Whitney said, "and it looks now as if the first real Christmas celebration at the industrial school will be a distinct success."

The judge added that as many of the members of the new industrial school's board that can get away will visit the school next Wednesday and assist in the celebration. The dinner will be cooked at the school and the institution will furnish a large quantity of nuts, oranges and candy for the boys.

The money in the fund will be used for the purchase of suitable gifts for the inmates and the gifts will consist largely of clothing. It is planned to have a roll call of the inmates and the boys' names are called they will come forward and receive their gifts. A lot of "extras" for the dinner will be furnished from the fund.

ISLAND EDITOR GETS P. O. JOB ON GARDEN ISLE

L. D. Timmons Nominated Today; Two Other Appointments Confirmed

[Special Star-Bulletin Cable]
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—L. D. Timmons was nominated today for postmaster at Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii. The senate confirmed today the nominations of Arthur V. Lloyd for postmaster at Lahaina, and John G. Lewis for postmaster at Waipahua.

C. S. ALBERT.

THOUSAND CRATES OF HAWAIIAN PINEAPPLES AS CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Honolulu pineapples, a thousand crates of them, are speeding toward San Francisco today on the Matsonia, the gifts of Honolulu to their friends living in less fortunate climes.

According to the local office of Wells, Fargo & Company, holiday shipments of fresh pine to mainland points, under the special rates which obtain now, were close to 1000 crates. As each crate weighs around 45 pounds, this means the pineapple Christmas gifts weighed 22½ tons.

Of the thousand crates, 55 per cent are going to points east of the Mississippi. Nearly 20 per cent are consigned to California cities. Many are going to Denver, Chicago and New York, and the receipts on file at the office show the destinations, to include every American city of importance.

JAPANESE EMPEROR'S DOCTOR IS DEAD; ONCE RESIDED IN HONOLULU

[Special Cable to Hawaii Shingo]
TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 15.—Dr. T. Iwai, physician of the Imperial household, died today at his Kojimachi residence in this city. Dr. Iwai was one of the leading medical men of Japan. Thirty years ago he left Japan for Honolulu and was in that city for three years as chief physician of the board of immigration. When he came back to Japan he was elected president of two hospitals in this city, and was later selected as the royal physician.

It may seem disquieting that the greatest loan is put out in the country that had already the greatest debt of record. Yet France does not worry about the "loan of victory." Interest on debt is until now one-fifth of her expenditure. It is one-fourth in New Zealand. It is nearly one-third in New York City, including sinking-fund payments. And French debt is in so many hands that a large part of the people will get back in higher interest what they pay in increased taxation. No nation can tax itself rich. Less easily than most can France tax herself poor.—New York World.

SUGAR

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Sugar: 96 deg. test; 4.83 cents. Previous quotation, 4.675 cents.

WASHINGTON STANDS BY NOTE; WON'T ENTER INTO TECHNICAL DISCUSSION; WANTS REDRESS

Punishment of Commander and Payment of Indemnity Demanded In Most Vigorous Note

[Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless]

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—America's note to Austria, demanding adequate redress for the sinking of the Italian passenger liner Ancona and the loss of American lives, and Austria's reply thereto have brought the two nations to a point of extreme crisis.

Unofficial reports in the capital today are that Austria's reply to the Ancona note is unsatisfactory in tone, unacceptable in its substance and disappointing in its attitude. The relations between the two countries are unofficially described by well-informed men as at the breaking-point today.

The president and Secretary Lansing are making no public comment on the reply until the receipt of the official translation. The substance of the note as already made known in Vienna is not satisfactory to the administration.

It is understood that the United States refuses to enter into any exchange of opinions with Vienna, as Vienna is represented as suggesting in the note. Washington declines to take up a discussion of the facts of the torpedoing and shelling of the Ancona.

It is learned that specifically the U. S. note demanded the punishment of the commander of the Austrian submarine which torpedoed the Ancona and is declared to have shelled the vessel before all the passengers had been able to get into the boats. A payment of indemnity for the lives of Americans lost in the disaster is also demanded.

This note is the most vigorous of all that the United States has sent to belligerent countries during the war.

Germans and Turks Said to be Hard at Work to Invade Egypt

ROME, Italy, Dec. 16.—Reports are rife here that extensive preparations are being made by the Germans and Turks for a Turco-German campaign against the Suez Canal and Egypt next spring. It is said that large forces of men and quantities of material are being assembled for the new campaign.

Bulgaria May Not Invade Greece; Allies Have 200,000 In Country

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 16.—A neutral zone two kilometers wide and extending on each side the length of the Greece-Roman border and the border of Greece on conquered Serbian territory, has been agreed upon by Greece and Bulgaria, according to official announcement here.

LONDON, Eng., Dec. 16.—Advices from Saloniki say that the Allies have now in the Balkan arena a total of 200,000 men. The opinion is expressed that the Allies will not be disturbed by a Bulgarian invasion of Greece.

Paris Bank Has Billion In Gold

PARIS, France, Dec. 16.—The stock of gold held in the Bank of France has reached the record figure of a billion dollars.

'SOOTHING NOTE' SENT BY POWERS TO INFORM CHINA

Japan Forwards Entente Warning Concerning Establishment of Monarchy

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 16.—Italy's ratification of the joint opposition to reviving the monarchy in China having arrived, Japan has forwarded to China the Entente note relative to the reestablishment of the throne. The note is of a soothing nature but emphasizes the necessity for the maintenance of peace in China and the danger of discord and trouble from reestablishing the monarchy at this time.

SHIBUZAWA IS HOST AT SAN FRANCISCO

[Special Cable to Hawaii Shingo]
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 15.—Baron E. Shibuzawa was host at a dinner last evening to many prominent Americans and Japanese residents of this city. During the dinner a number of speakers discussed the Japanese labor problem in California. Baron Shibuzawa urged the labor leaders to work for the best interests of both Japanese and American business.

SHORTAGE OF JAPANESE FOOD IN SAN FRANCISCO

[Special Cable to Hawaii Shingo]
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—Many moving picture films weekly.

NEW RIVAL FOR CARRANZA LIFTS HEAD IN MEXICO

Zapatistas Name Antonio Cana as President of Troubled Republic

[Associated Press by Federal Wireless]
MEXICO CITY, Mex., Dec. 16.—Another rival for Venustiano Carranza, just recognized as provisional president of Mexico, has arisen. A convention of members of the Zapata faction, held at Tlalzapam, has named Antonio Cana president of Mexico. Zapata has approved the plan and spread over the territory he controls a statement declaring his approval.

NILES MUST NOT FLY OVER ROYAL PALACE

[Special Cable to Nippon Jiji]
TOKIO, Japan, Dec. 16.—Emperor Yoshihito who wished to see the aerial flights of Niles, the American aviator, announced today that Niles would not be permitted to make a flight over the royal palace.

Japanese in this city are suffering, owing to the shortage of Japanese food. Japanese rice, shoyu and miso are the principal food products among local Japanese, and as no steamer has recently arrived from Japan the prices have jumped. It is expected that the situation will be relieved when the next steamer arrives from the Orient.

South Africa imports 60,000 feet of film weekly.